

## **Promote the Vote Mock Election is next week, October 27-30**

The 2014 Mississippi General Election is less than two weeks away which means we are gearing up for Promote the Vote's Statewide Mock Election. The dates for the election are next Monday-Thursday, October 27-30. All the materials for the mock election are available on the PTV website under the Mock Election tab. You must be logged in to access this information. You do not have to provide us with copies of your students' ballots. We only need the tally sheet reflecting your student votes. A tally sheet is provided for you in the mock election materials for your convenience. **These tally submissions must be turned in to the Secretary of State's Office by 5:00 on October 30 in order to be counted toward the statewide results.** You may submit your totals by any means listed below:

**Email:** [ptv@sos.ms.gov](mailto:ptv@sos.ms.gov)

**Fax:** 601-359-1499 sent to the attention of Laura Walker

**Phone:** 601-359-6344

**US Mail:** P.O. Box 136, Jackson, MS 39205-0136 (please remember we **MUST** have these totals in-hand before 5 p.m. Thursday afternoon to be included in the statewide results.)

Once your tally has been submitted, our staff will enter your totals into our online database. We have more than 70,000 students enrolled in the program this year, so it may take several hours after your submission for us to process your tally and have it available online. We will send an email to your registered email address to confirm we have received your totals. If you do not receive a confirmation, please contact our office so we can check our system; we may need your results resubmitted or collected over the phone. Each school with submitted totals will have access to a bar graph on the PTV website to illustrate percentages of votes for particular candidates. You will again have to be logged in to view these charts. You may use these to compare how your school voted with other schools in your area, how the state voted as a whole and how they compare to the General Election results when they are announced following the November 4 General Election.

If you have any questions or concerns about the mock election, please contact our office at 601-359-6344. If you have difficulty accessing the online materials, please email [ptv@sos.ms.gov](mailto:ptv@sos.ms.gov). We will email you the materials you need if we aren't able to resolve your issue and get you online.

Thank you again for your participation and support of the Promote the Vote program. We are look forward to working with you and making this year's mock election another success.